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## STUDENT SENATE

S12RS

SGR No. 37

By: SENATOR GLORIOSO

**A RESOLUTION**

**TO URGE AND REQUEST THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE TO RECONSIDER THE PENALTIES IMPOSED UPON THE NEW ORLEANS SAINTS, IN LINE WITH LOUISIANA HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 50 BY REPRESENTATIVE HENRY**

- PARAGRAPH 1:** WHEREAS, THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE HAS IMPOSED A SERIES OF PENALTIES UPON THE NEW ORLEANS SAINTS; AND
- PARAGRAPH 2:** WHEREAS, THE NEW ORLEANS SAINTS HAVE PRODUCED COUNTLESS EXCITING AND MAGICAL MOMENTS FOR THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY, THE STATE OF LOUISIANA, THE GULF COAST REGION, AND THE ENTIRE COUNTRY; AND
- PARAGRAPH 3:** WHEREAS, THE TAXPAYERS OF LOUISIANA HAVE INVESTED MILLIONS OF DOLLARS INTO THE SUCCESS OF THE SAINTS ORGANIZATIONS BY SUPPORTING STADIUM IMPROVEMENTS, PRACTICE FACILITIES AND OTHER INCENTIVES; AND
- PARAGRAPH 4:** WHEREAS, THE POPULARITY OF THE NEW ORLEANS SAINTS HAS PROVIDED A TREMENDOUSLY POSITIVE ECONOMIC IMPACT, AND THE SANCTIONS FACED BY THE TEAM WILL LIKELY HAVE A NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACT ACROSS NEW ORLEANS AND THE STATE AS A WHOLE; AND
- PARAGRAPH 5:** WHEREAS, SEAN PAYTON IS THE FIRST COACH EVER SUSPENDED BY THE NFL FOR ANY REASON; AND
- PARAGRAPH 6:** WHEREAS, THE HEAD COACH OF THE SAINTS HAS BEEN SUSPENDED FOR ENTIRE 2012 SEASON, THE GENERAL MANGER FOR THE FIRST EIGHT REGULAR SEASON GAMES, AND AN ASSISTANT COACH FOR THE FIRST SIX REGULAR SEASON GAMES, ALL WITHOUT PAY, AND THE SAINTS ORGANIZATION HAS BEEN FINED \$500,000; AND
- PARAGRAPH 7:** WHEREAS, ADDITIONALLY, CERTAIN SAINTS PLAYERS ARE FACING POSSIBLE FINES AND SUSPENSIONS; AND
- PARAGRAPH 8:** WHEREAS, THE GREATNESS OF THE NEW ORLEANS SAINTS IN RECENT YEARS, INCLUDING THE HISTORIC AND TRIUMPHANT VICTORY IN SUPER BOWL XLIV IN 2012, COULD NOT HAVE BEEN ACHIEVED WITHOUT THE GUIDANCE, DEDICATION AND SKILLS OF SEAN PAYTON AND THE ENTIRE COACHING STAFF, AS WELL AS OTHERS INVOLVED WITH THE SAINTS' FOOTBALL PROGRAM; AND

**PARAGRAPH 9:** WHEREAS, THERE IS WIDESPREAD PUBLIC OPINION THROUGHOUT LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY, THE STATE OF LOUISIANA AND BEYOND THAT THE PENALTIES IMPOSED UPON THE SAINTS ARE TOO HARSH AND SHOULD BE RECONSIDERED; AND

**PARAGRAPH 10:** THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE STUDENT SENATE THAT THE AFOREMENTIONED BODY URGES AND REQUESTS THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE TO RECONSIDER THE PENALTIES IMPOSED UPON THE NEW ORLEANS SAINTS AND THAT THE LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY SUPPORTS HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 50

**PARAGRAPH 11:** BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT A SUITABLE COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION BE SENT TO THE COMMISSIONER OF THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE AND ALL REPRESENTATIVES OF THE LOUISIANA LEGISLATURE, ESPECIALLY REPRESENTATIVE HENRY

**PARAGRAPH 12:** THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE BY A SIMPLE MAJORITY (1/2) VOTE OF THE LSU STUDENT SENATE AND SIGNATURE BY THE PRESIDENT, UPON LAPSE OF TIME FOR PRESIDENTIAL ACTION, OR IF VETOED BY THE PRESIDENT AND SUBSEQUENTLY APPROVED BY THE SENATE, ON THE DATE OF SUCH APPROVAL.

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**Aaron Caffarel**  
**Speaker of the Senate**

**Date:**\_\_\_\_\_

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**Cody Wells**  
**Student Body President**

**Date:**\_\_\_\_\_